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CHAPTER II

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The applicant wishes the start of the international preliminary examination to be postponed until the expiration of 20 months from the priority date unless the International preliminary Examining Authority receives a copy of any amendments made under Article 19 or a notice from the applicant that he does not wish to make such amendments (Rule 69.1(d)). (This check-box may be marked only where the time limit under Article 19 has not yet expired).				
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CHAPTER II

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Annex to the Demand for international preliminary examination

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Applicant's or Agent's File reference: JM502048/142	
Applicant ELLIS, Philip George; ELLIS, Lynley Ann and Co	OKER, John Louis
Calculation of Prescribed Fees	
Preliminary examination fee	<u>A\$450.00</u> P
 Handling fee (Applicants from certain States are entitled to a reduction of 75% of the handling fee. Where the applicant is (or all applicants are) so entitled, the amount to be entered at H is 25% of the handling fee.) 	<u>A\$238.00</u> H
3. Total of prescribed fees Add the amounts entered at P and H and enter total in the TOTAL box	<u>A</u> \$688.00
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Mode of Payment	
authorization to charge deposit account with the IPEA (see below) cash cheque revenue stamps	coupons other (specify)
Deposit Account Authorization (this mode of payment may not be	available at all IPEAs))
The IPEA/AU is hereby authorized to charge the total	fees indicated above to my deposit account.
(this check-box may be marked only if authorized to charge any deficiency or caccount	The conditions for deposit accounts of the IPEA so permit) is hereby credit any overpayment in the total fees indicated above to my deposit
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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

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Applicant ELLIS, Philip George et al			
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2. This REPORT consists of a to	otal of 5 sheets, inclu	iding this cover sheet.	
This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e., sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).			
These annexes consist of a total of sheet(s).			
3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:			
I X Basis of the report			
II Priority	Priority		
III X Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability			step and industrial applicability
IV X Lack of unity of i	invention		
V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement		inventive step or industrial applicability;	
VI Certain documents cited			
VII Certain defects in the international application			
VIII Certain observations on the international application			
Date of submission of the demand 30 March 2000		Date of completion of the 5 July 2000	he report
Name and mailing address of the IPEA/AU		Authorized Officer	
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ш.	Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
1.	The questions whether the claimed invention appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step (to be nonobvious), or to be industrially applicable have not been examined in respect of:
	the entire international application,
	X claims Nos: 13-15,18,20
	because:
	the said international application, or the said claims Nos. require an international preliminary examination (specify):
	the description, claims or drawings (indicate particular elements below) or said claims Nos. are so unclear that no meaningful opinion could be formed (specify):
	the claims, or said claims Nos. are so inadequately supported by the description that no meaningful opinion could be formed.
	X no international search report has been established for said claim Nos. 13-15,18,20
2.	A meaningful international preliminary examination cannot be carried out due to the failure of the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing to comply with the standard provided for in Annex C of the Administrative Instructions:
	the written form has not been furnished or does not comply with the standard.
	the computer readable form has not been furnished or does not comply with the standard.

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IV.	Lack of unity of invention	
1.	In response to the invitation to restrict or pay additional fees the applicant has:	
	restricted the claims.	
	paid additional fees.	
	paid additional fees under protest.	
	neither restricted nor paid additional fees.	
2.	This Authority found that the requirement of unity of invention is not complied with and chose, according to Rule 68.1, not to invite the applicant to restrict or pay additional fees.	
3.	This Authority considers that the requirement of unity of invention in accordance with Rules 13.1, 13.2 and 13.3 is	
	complied with.	
	X not complied with for the following reasons:	
Thi	authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:	
	1. Claims 1-7,12,16 and 19 are directed to an apparatus and method for roll forming frame members from sheet metal strips, wherein U and C- section channel profiles are formed on the same metal strip simultaneously It is considered that the simultaneous forming of U and C-section channel profiles comprises a first "special technical feature".	
	Claims 8-11 and 17 are directed to a metal frame member with a U-section channel profile over at least a part of the frame member which is swaged or narrowed in relation to the remaining channel profile. It is considered that this swaged or narrowed channel section profile comprises a second "special technical feature".	
	Claims 13-15,18 and 20 are directed to a method of constructing a building frame assembly by recording data on an area to be framed, processing the data on computing means to design a frame for the area and controlling a roll forming apparatus to produce frame members according to the design. It is considered that this method comprises a third "special technical feature".	
4.	Consequently, the following parts of the international application were the subject of international preliminary examination in establishing this report:	
	all parts.	
	X the parts relating to claims Nos. 1-12,16,17,19	

YES

NO

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v.	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement					
1.	Statement					
	Novelty (N)	Claims 2,3,5,7,16,17,19	YES			
		Claims 1,4,6,8-12	NO			
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims 2,3,5,7,16,17,19	YES			
		Claims 1,4,6,8-12	NO			

Claims 1-12,16,17,19

Claims

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Industrial applicability (IA)

- (a) WO 98/26884 (SAMESOR SMT) 25 June 1998
- (b) GB 2169937 (ONTEAM LTD) 23 July 1986
- (c) WO 87/01977 A1 (GOMERA PTY LTD) 9 April 1987
- (d) AU 62137/80 (CLAIR) 19 March 1981
- (e) AU 21692/77 (SATCHELL) 13 July 1978
- (f) AU 52665/93 (DIE-CRAFT ENGINEERING) 20 October 1994
- (g) AU 62622/90 (LOGAN UNITS) 28 March 1991
- (h) GB 1468190 (EKERT) 23 March 1977

Novelty (N) and Inventive Step (IS)

Citations (a),(b) and (c) each disclose apparatus capable of simultaneously forming U and C section profiles, thus rendering claims 1 and 12 not novel or inventive. Citation (c) also discloses the movable operational unit and cutting means of claims 4 and 6.

Citations (d), (e), (f), (g) and (h) each disclose a frame assembly having a U-section and a narrowed portion and disclose all the features of claims 9 to 11. Citation (e) also discloses the C-section profile of claim 8 and the roll forming of claim 1.

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Box 1 Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 of first sheet)
This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:
Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
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Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)
This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows: (1) Claims 1-7,12,16 and 19. (2) Claims 8-11 and 17. (3) Claims 13-15, 18 and 20.
(see Box IV for details)
1. As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims
2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
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No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:
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Box IV

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

- 1. Claims 1-7,12,16 and 19 are directed to an apparatus and method for roll forming frame members from sheet metal strips, wherein U and C-section channel profiles are formed on the same metal strip simultaneously It is considered that the simultaneous forming of U and C-section channel profiles comprises a first "special technical feature".
- Claims 8-11 and 17 are directed to a metal frame member with a U-section channel profile over at least a part of the frame member which is swaged or narrowed in relation to the remaining channel profile. It is considered that this swaged or narrowed channel section profile comprises a second "special technical feature".
- 3. Claims 13-15,18 and 20 are directed to a method of constructing a building frame assembly by recording data on an area to be framed, processing the data on computing means to design a frame for the area and controlling a roll forming apparatus to produce frame members according to the design. It is considered that this method comprises a third "special technical feature".

Information on patent family members

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